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PATENT**REMARKS**

Claims 1-30 were originally filed in the present application.

Claims 1-30 are pending in the present application.

Claims 1-30 were rejected in the August 16, 2006 Office Action.

No claims have been allowed.

Claims 1, 8, 14 and 24 have been amended herein.

Claims 1-30 remain in the present application.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants note that Claims 1, 8, 14 and 24 have been amended herein merely to correct typographical errors.

In Sections 1 and 2 of the August 16, 2006 Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-30 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,822,973 to Kelley, et al. (the "Kelley reference"). Applicants respectfully disagree.

Amended independent Claim 1 requires:

For use in a wireless network comprising a plurality of base stations, a mobile station that can selectively use the reduced slot cycle mode under the control of a first of the plurality of base stations, the mobile station comprising:

a message controller capable of communicating in a paging channel with the first base station; and

a reduced slot cycle controller coupled to the message controller and capable of causing the message controller to transmit to the first base station a first Release Order message comprising a minimum reduced slot cycle index (SCI) value requested by the mobile station, wherein the reduced slot cycle controller is further capable of receiving from the first base station a second Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) value at which the mobile station will operate. (emphasis added)

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Notably, Claim 1 requires that the reduced slot cycle controller is capable of receiving from the first base station a second Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) value at which the mobile station will operate.

The Kelley reference, on the other hand, fails to disclose, for example, a second Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) value at which the mobile station will operate. At most, the Kelley reference teaches a mobile station initiated system and a base station initiated system for implementing reduced slotted mode in a mobile station. Kelley reference, column 4, lines 29-33. In either system, the Kelley reference teaches that a base station 108 may respond to a mobile station 102 by acknowledging that it supports a *reduced slotted mode* or by providing a *maximum reduced slotted timer value*. See e.g., *Id.* at column 4, lines 40-49; and column 4, line 62 – column 5, line 2. There is, however, no teaching or disclosure of a base station providing a second Release Order message, let alone a second Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) as required by Claim 1. Accordingly, the Kelley reference fails to anticipate Claim 1 (and its dependents).

Similar requirements exist for independent Claims 8, 14 and 24 (and their respective dependents). For example, there is no teaching or disclosure of a base station providing a second Release Order message, let alone a second Release Order message comprising a selected slot cycle index (SCI) as required by Claims 8, 14 and 24.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and the withdrawal of the §102 rejection.

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PATENT****SUMMARY**

For the reasons given above, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims and that this application be passed to issue. If any outstanding issues remain, or if the Examiner has any further suggestions for expediting allowance of this application, the Applicants respectfully invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at jmockler@munckbutrus.com.

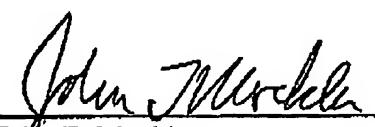
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